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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 2, 2004 and having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on June 2, 2004. Applicants submit the following responsive amendment in the above-identified application. Applicants believe this amendment places the application in better condition for allowance. Applicants' remarks are attached hereto and start on page 2.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-4.

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